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away from me. Where were
the
house, and its service, and
the cares
of your world ?

Sumitra

But then we were scarcely
more
than a boy and a girl; and
to-day
we are the King and the
Queen.

Vikram

The King and the Queen ?
Mere
names. We are more than
that; we
are lovers.

Sumitra

You are my King, my
husband, and
I am content to follow your
steps.
Do not shame me by
putting me
before your kingship.

Vikram

Do you not want my love f